

HELEN M. STONE MAY BE DEAD.

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To Ascertain.

HITCH IN THE NEGOTIATIONS

Consul-Gen. Dickinson and Minister
Bakmeteff Antagonistic to
Each Other.

New York, Nov. 4.—According to the Vienna Politische Correspondenz, quoted by the correspondent of the London Times and the New York Times in the Austrian capital, a well known Macedonian brigand has been instructed to obtain information as to whether Miss Helen M. Stone is still alive. Two other brigands, well acquainted with the country, have been commissioned by the United States Consul-Gen. Dickinson to try to get in touch with the missionaries' captors. The prefect of the Sofia police has been asked to represent as being imminent.

THINKS MISS STONE IS DEAD.

New York, Nov. 4.—The positive conviction that Miss Helen M. Stone is dead is contained in a letter which has just been received in Boston from Ivan Radloff, a student who was with the American missionary when she was captured by brigands in Turkey, together with Miss. Talika, says the Boston correspondent of the Press.

According to this letter the snow in the mountains into which Miss Stone and her companion were taken by their captors was three feet deep three weeks ago at the time the letter was written. Even in the summer time the snow upon the highest summits of these mountains does not melt. The first snowfall usually comes at about the middle of September, and by the middle of October, the mountain passes are absolutely closed to travel.

It was the conviction among Miss Stone's friends in Samakov, Bulgaria, three weeks ago, that she could not possibly have survived the rigors of her captivity until this date. There was a hope that Miss Stone might have been concealed by her captors in the monastery of St. Ivin of Ella, which is near the Bulgarian-Turkish frontier and on the Bulgarian side of it. Such a hope was the anxiety of the Bulgarian government to do every thing in its power to assist the United States' representatives in their effort to find the missionary. The Bulgarian government was exceedingly unpopular method of searching the monastery. This search disclosed the fact that Miss Stone had not been there. The discovery was disappointing to Miss Stone's friends in Samakov. According to the letter of Ivan Radloff, Consul Gen. Dickinson has retarded the release of Miss Stone seriously. It is said that Mr. Dickinson, by his criticism of the Bulgarian government has antagonized the government.

It is understood in Samakov that the brigands who were in immediate charge of the captive were under positive instructions to take her life at the first indication of the possibility of a skirmish with the troops.

HITCH IN NEGOTIATIONS.

New York, Nov. 4.—The hitch in the negotiations for Miss Stone's release arises from two causes: First, the herce antagonism between the United States Diplomatic Agent Dickinson and Russian Minister Bakmeteff; second, the missionary and diplomatic disinclination to accede to the brigands' terms, though moderate. Says the Samakov correspondent of the Journal and Advertiser: The relations between Mr. Bakmeteff and Mr. Dickinson are strained to the breaking point. The former, being friendly to Bulgaria, does not want his agent to finish the final transaction on Bulgarian soil. Mr. Berth, a Macedonian student at the American Institute in Sofia, one of the agents sent to negotiate with the brigands, has returned from Raslog. He reports that the brigands consider Mr. Dickinson's money offer as too small. They say that they do not want to agree to terms that would disgrace them with their brethren. Discussing the amount of ransom, Missionary Baird, purser of the Samakov Institute, says: "If the brigands get a quarter of what they still ask, bands will spring up like mushrooms. Samakov will be ruined. The brigands began negotiations with us by asking twice Miss Stone's weight in gold. Even a fourth of this sum is preposterous. If the Bulgarians had either trackers or bloodhounds, Miss Stone would not be spending her sixty-first day with the brigands."

Sanctions More Literature for Russia

New York, Nov. 4.—The Russian Ministry of Education, says a dispatch from Odessa to the London Times and the New York Times, sanctions the circulation on a wide scale of popular literature in the free libraries. Hitherto, the most rigorous censorship has been exercised in St. Petersburg. Now all works approved by the educational consistory of the holy synod are permitted.

Libeled German Troops.

New York, Nov. 4.—A dispatch from Berlin to the London Times and New York Times quotes an article in the Vossische Zeitung referring to the prosecution of two Stuttgart journalists for libeling the German troops in China. The Vossische Zeitung says: "There is no question of barbarity in connection with the conduct of the campaign. There is no ground for the supposition that the troops of either nation were more humane in their conduct than those of Germany. At the same time it remains open to question whether it was necessary, as General Lexell thinks, to resort in so many cases to the punishment of binding our men to stakes."

Nicaragua Buys German Gunboat.

New York, Nov. 4.—The government of Nicaragua, says the Managua correspondent of the Herald, has purchased from Germany the gunboat Arminius, which carries eight guns.

MORE MOUNTED MEN WANTED.

War Office Will Send 5,000 to South Africa.

New York, Nov. 4.—Commenting upon the South African military situation the London correspondent of the Tribune says:

It is understood to be the intention of the war office to send five thousand more mounted men out to South Africa during the next six weeks. There are only about 7,000 mounted men at home, so that the military authorities are faced with the problem of training soldiers minus the necessary accompaniment of a cavalry arm. To meet this obvious falling it is probable that several composite regiments of yeomanry will be voluntarily embodied for home service. A move will soon be made to

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bring home from South Africa the men who have served over two years in the war, and their place may be taken by the British cavalry division of seven regiments now in India. After the conclusion of hostilities it is expected that permanent camps at the cape will consist of 50,000 men.

To Join Calliard's Squadron.

New York, Nov. 4.—According to the Herald's Paris correspondent the French cruiser Admiral Charner, which had been waiting instructions at Port Said since Thursday has left, ostensibly for Toulon, but it is thought possible she has really gone to join Admiral Calliard's squadron.

Proposed Atlantic Turbine Service

New York, Nov. 4.—The London Times and the New York Times publish additional telegrams from Cork regarding the proposed Atlantic turbine service. It is stated that the syndicate back of the scheme proposes to meet the war office and admiralty objections by making railway extensions to Berehaven from both Bantry and Kinsale.

The Effect of the Scheme Would Be

that Cork's harbor (Queenstown), would cease to be a port of call for transatlantic liners. Strong opposition to the line is expected.

Calls York's Tour a Failure.

New York, Nov. 4.—The Paris Journal des Debates, quoted by the correspondent of the London Times and the New York Times in the French capital, represents the tour of the Duke of Cornwall and York as a failure on account of the circumstance that he repelled in English to the French-Canadians.

The Temps says the duke has returned home to see at work those strange inmates who seek like to earn a far more galling name than that of the "Little Englanders" namely, the "empire shrinkers."—Destroyers of the glorious work of their ancestors.

Indian Princes at Coronation.

New York, Nov. 4.—The Simla correspondent of the London Times and the New York Times says that considerations of space compelling the limitation of numbers, King Edward has invited five representative Indian princes to attend his coronation. The remaining potentates will attend the Durbar at Delhi on Jan. 1, 1902.

It is proposed to send a large contingent to represent the native army at the coronation ceremonies.

Foully Abused President McKinley.

Washington Nov. 3.—"To be confined one year in such places as the secretary of the navy may direct, to lose all pay except \$2 a month for prison expenses and the further sum of \$20 to be paid him at the expiration of this confinement, and to be dishonorably discharged from the service of the United States," is the sentence imposed by court-martial upon John W. Stoll, a third-class electrician of the receiving ship Columbia, lying at the New York navy yard, for foul abuse of the late President McKinley.

WORK OF HIGHBINDER.

Mrs. Long Kee Stabbed When Returning from Call on Minister Wu's Wife.

San Francisco, Nov. 4.—Long Kee, the eighteen-year-old wife of Ching Kee, a prominent Chinese merchant, was stabbed by masked highbinder late last night as she was entering her home, upon her return from a social call on the wife of Chinese Minister

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Wu Ting and the family of Consul-Gen. Ho Yow at the consulate. This is the first bloodshed directly to be attributed to a long standing feud between the Wong and Chan families, and fear is openly expressed in Chinatown that many lives may be sacrificed before it is settled. Mrs. Kee, who belongs to the Wong family, though severely wounded, will recover.

TESTING KOCH'S THEORY.

Dr. Barney of Brooklyn Claims to Have Disproved It.

New York, Nov. 4.—Positive signs of tuberculosis have appeared in the cow that was inoculated with germs by Dr. Geo. D. Barney of Brooklyn several days ago. Dr. Barney will permit the signs to become more pronounced and will then kill the cow and hold an autopsy. Dr. Barney is now certain that he has disproved Koch's theory that human tuberculosis and bovine tuberculosis are not intercommunicable. The cow was inoculated by Dr. Barney about ten days ago. On Saturday last it began to show a fever, and now all the known signs of tuberculosis are apparent in the beast. Dr. Barney said last night that he had no doubt that the autopsy he performed would prove beyond doubt the fallacy of Dr. Koch's theory.

To Reform Factory Regulations.

New York, Nov. 4.—According to advices from St. Petersburg to the London Times and the New York Times, the Russian minister of finance, M. Witte, is engaged on a scheme with a view to substantial reforms in the factory regulations. The scheme will shortly be submitted to the council of state. M. Witte is convinced that the proposed reforms will strengthen the handicapped industrial position of Russia.

CAPTIVE BALLOONISTS SAFE.

Nine Involuntary Aeronauts Return To San Francisco.

San Francisco, Nov. 3.—The nine occupants of the car of the balloon which escaped from this city yesterday afternoon returned safely today. The balloon was landed near Pescadero, fifty miles from this city and a short distance from the ocean. The balloon was in the air nearly two hours and at one time was out at sea, but was blown back over the land. Those who were the involuntary trip were: Edward P. Dudley, the aeronaut; A. L. Dodge, El Foster, Jr., Walter Leon, C. P. Vildeco, J. P. Leonard, M. L. Howarth, John A. M. Swift, Mrs. J. P. Gunsaulth.

Lord Roberts Anxious to Retire.

New York, Nov. 4.—At the service clubs it is rumored that Lord Roberts is anxious to retire, says the London correspondent of the Tribune. He has never intended to remain the full period at the war office, and he is credited with a desire to pass the winter of his days in quiet retirement in India. While the war lasts, however, it is almost certain the commander-in-chief will not leave his post, reports to the contrary notwithstanding.

Shoe and Leather Fair.

New York, Nov. 4.—Unusual significance attaches to this year's shoe and leather fair, which will open at Agricultural Hall, Islington, today, because of the severe contest in progress between English and American manufacturers for foot wear, says the London representative. There are more exhibitors than ever before from the shoe trade centers on both sides of the Atlantic, while Canada has for the first time sent a representative. The fair will continue throughout the week.

RUSSIA AND ENGLAND.

It Will Be Sometime Before There is a Better Understanding.

New York, Nov. 4.—The St. Petersburg correspondent of the London Times and the New York Times says that as Russian statesmen would like to see friendly relations with Great Britain some time must elapse before mutual suspicions are sufficiently abated to allow a frank understanding. Russians complain of the "nervousness" of Great Britain and the fact that their plans and they resent the manner in which the British government seems always on the lookout for a continental sword to use against them.

Anti British Propaganda.

New York, Nov. 4.—A revival of the anti-British propaganda by means of caricatures more odious and more malignant than any that have previously appeared is reported by the Vienna correspondent of the London Times and the New York Times. The correspondent remarks that the fact that the Vienna papers emphasize the low German origin of the Boers would seem to indicate the pan-Germanic character of the anti-British campaign in that part of the continent. There is the dispatch adds, a growing conviction that military mismanagement of the South African campaign is chiefly responsible for its prolongation.

BOER ATTACK ON BENSON'S MEN

It Was Exceedingly Fierce and Determined.

THEY LOST THREE HUNDRED

First Onslaught Was in a Blinding Rainstorm—A Protest Against Official Optimism.

Pretoria, Nov. 3.—Further details have been received regarding the attack by the Boers under Commandant-Gen. Botha last week on Col. Benson's command near Brakenlaage, eastern Transvaal.

It appears that Gen. Botha, who had been joined by another big commando aggregating a thousand men, attacked Col. Benson's rear guard October 30 on the march and captured two guns, but was unable to keep them. Col. Benson fell mortally wounded early in the fight.

Ma Wools-Sampson took command, collected the convoy and took up a position for defense about 100 yards from entrenchments prepared by the Boers. The captured guns were so situated that neither side could touch them. The Boers made desperate efforts to overwhelm the whole British force, charging repeatedly right up to the British lines and being driven back each time with heavy loss. The defense was stubbornly and successfully maintained through the whole of the following day and the next night, until Col. Barter, who had marched all night from Bushman's kopje, brought relief on the morning of November 1. The Boers then retired. Their losses are estimated at between 300 and 400. Col. Benson did not long survive. Not only did Gen. Botha direct the attack, as already cabled, but he personally shared in the fighting.

DISASTER TO THE BRITISH.

London, Nov. 3.—A special dispatch from South Africa reveals practically nothing further about the disaster to Col. Benson's column. It appears that the first attack was made in a blinding rainstorm. The heaviest casualties occurred while Major Wools-Sampson, who is a Johannesburg reformer and an officer in one of the colonial levies, was gathering the convoy under the brow of a hill a most difficult task. It is assumed in London that the two fifteen-pounders remained in the possession of the British, but the telegrams are not clear on this point.

Edgar Wallace, correspondent of the Daily Mail, writing from Pretoria, October 12, again protests against official optimism, and declares that the war will not be ended for another year. He began to show a fever, and now all the known signs of tuberculosis are apparent in the beast. Dr. Barney said last night that he had no doubt that the autopsy he performed would prove beyond doubt the fallacy of Dr. Koch's theory.

A riotous scene occurred yesterday in Peckham, a suburb of London. A small gathering of the local branch of the Democratic League undertook to hold a meeting to protest against the war in South Africa. The manifestations started in procession for the purpose of meeting, but were routed, buffeted and dispersed. A crowd estimated at 20,000 gathered to oppose them. There were many ugly rushes, and the police were barely able to protect the meeting. The riotous crowd sang a song meeting and sang "Rule, Britannia!"

Archbishop Corrigan on Socialism.

New York, Nov. 4.—Archbishop Corrigan in St. Patrick's cathedral Sunday, preached on socialism. If socialism prevailed in the world, it would be a state of things that would be a blessing to the world. It would be a state of things that would be a blessing to the world. It would be a state of things that would be a blessing to the world.

Capt. F. N. Handy Escapes.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 3.—Capt. F. N. Handy, recently convicted of swindling Dr. J. Eugene Jordan of this city out of \$10,000 in the sale of the old steamer Prof. Morse in 1898, and sentenced to two years in the penitentiary, has escaped from Sheriff Cuddehe, and is at large with a reward of \$250 for his recapture. He was taken to Tacoma by a deputy sheriff Saturday and there gave the color a slip. The deputy, as well as Capt. Handy's sister, Miss Nellie Handy and her friend, Mrs. E.

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Frackleton, were today arrested for conspiring to assist Handy to escape. The charge is a felony. Handy's home was in San Francisco. He had been in jail here for more than a year. His case is on appeal to the supreme court of the state.

Juneau-Skagway Cable Break.

Seattle, Wash., Nov. 4.—The break in the Juneau-Skagway cable has been located off Bridge's Point, near Memerquest's bay, Long canal. Those in charge of the repair work think it will require a splice nearly a mile long. It is supposed that the cable was laid across a reef, and that the sag of the line in the deep water on each side stretched it across the rocks too tight, and insulation consequently chafing off.

Private Lansing Suicides.

Vancouver, Wash., Nov. 3.—Private Eugene Lansing, Seventh Infantry, formerly a convict from Company D, Twenty-first Infantry, Manila, committed suicide in a sensational manner this morning as the flag was being lowered at sundown last evening. While standing at post headquarters' steps, Lansing drew a revolver from his pocket and shot himself through the heart. No motive is known.

EUROPEAN SUGAR EXPORTS.

Reappearance of Cuba as a Competitor in the U.S. Market.

Washington, Nov. 3.—"The obvious and sustained friendliness of the United States government to Cuba, the impending increase of sugar production in Porto Rico, Hawaii and the Philippines, added to the steady and rapid development of the beet sugar industry throughout a large area of the United States, all point to an inevitable and serious decline in European sugar exports to this country."

This statement appears in an interesting report from Consul-Gen. Mason at Berlin to the state department, dated October 14, showing the damage which the sugar production of Cuba, in particular, is dealing to the sugar exporters of Europe.

It is generally recognized, says Mr. Mason, that the beet sugar industry in central Europe is approaching a critical juncture. Germany, Austria-Hungary, France and Russia, it is stated, are now gathering a beet crop which will yield an output of sugar in a quantity that of any previous year. Unfortunately for Germany, this overwhelming production comes at a time when industrial depression and a short wheat and rye crop seriously reduced the purchasing capacity of the poorer classes. A high commercial authority, says Mr. Mason, estimates the decline in sugar consumption in Germany during the fiscal year at 75,000 tons.

To complete and still further darken the shadow," says the consul-general, "Cuba has reappeared as a vigorous and threatening competitor in the United States, which during past years has taken an average of 25,000 metric tons of German sugar, valued at \$12,500,000 per annum."

These conditions, it is stated, have sent the price of sugar down to the lowest point reached during the critical year 1894-95.

Great interest has been awakened in Germany by the recent visit to Washington of Gov. Gen. Wood of Cuba, "and the conviction is growing that, notwithstanding all doubts and suspicions of an independent state, under the generous and sympathetic protection of the United States, and under conditions which will favor the development of the sugar industry of the island to a point beyond the highest productivity of former years."

AT THE CHURCHES.

Dr. Paden on Foreign Immigration—Dr. Kirby and Father Keenan.

Dr. Paden exploited the subject of foreign immigration at the First Presbyterian church yesterday, after giving a list of statistics tending to show that 60.9 per cent of the total population of Utah are either foreign born or born of foreign parents. He also gave figures showing that 12,741 of the population of Salt Lake are foreign born and 40,790 natives.

Dr. Paden was of the opinion that there was not much to fear from this foreign influx, that the dominant church is not making any relative gains now as a result of the foreign immigration; in other words he thought that a large majority of the foreigners who are coming to Utah are non-Mormons.

He said that the state and nation must guard against blood that would not blend; races that will not assimilate. The criminal and pauper classes must not be admitted; that Europe must not be allowed to make our land a criminal and pauper colony. The use of the English language must be insisted upon, and foreigners should be made to realize that this is a Christian nation.

AFTER 20 YEARS' ABSENCE.

Rev. Dr. R. M. Kirby, who twenty years ago was rector of St. Mark's cathedral, preached a sermon from his old pulpit yesterday to many of his old friends. His sermon was from the text, "For me to live is Christ." He described the attitude of the true Christian and inveighed against hypocrisy and sham.

Dr. Kirby is returning to his home at Potsdam, N. Y., from the Episcopal convention held recently in San Francisco. He will continue his journey to morning night.

REV. FATHER KEENAN.

Rev. Father Keenan preached a sermon yesterday at St. Mary's cathedral on the subject of St. Andrew's day. His remarks were of a practical dealing with the idea of purgatory and the obligation of his people to pray for their friends and relatives that they may escape the temporary punishment in purgatory, or that the punishment may be diminished.

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today by the frail and sorrowing widow. When Mr. De Forest came here a little over a year ago to find relief from asthma he contracted pneumonia on the way and a few days later died at the Holy Cross.

His heartbroken wife came to Salt Lake the evening before his death and was so overcome by her grief and the natural frailty of her constitution, that she lingered in the shadows of the dark valley for nearly a year. It has been only a few days since she was able to sit up in her bed at the Keogh-McKenna hospital. But she is a courageous little woman who not only will have to bear her sorrow but must face a contest in the courts for her husband's estate, which is valued at \$100,000.

At the time of his death it was reported that Mr. De Forest left a fortune of \$100,000. Mrs. De Forest says that was a gross overestimate, and has caused her considerable annoyance.

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